









**A. TRUDE PATTERNS or SAMPLES.**  
**F. W. MITCHELL,**  
*Postmaster General*  
**General Post Office,**  
**Hongkong, 12th April, 1870.**

It is hereby notified for general information, that hereforward the **Rate of Postage**, which must be paid in advance, chargeable upon **BOOKS and Pattern Packets** posted at **Hongkong**, or any of the **British Possessions in China**, and to Japan, to be forwarded by the **British Contract Mail Packets** to the **Australian Colonies** and **New Zealand**, will be as follows,

For a Packet not exceeding 1 ounce in weight.....	2 cents
For a Packet above 1 ounce and not exceeding 2 ounces.....	4 "
For a Packet above 2 ounces and not exceeding 4 ounces.....	8 "
For a Packet above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces.....	16 "
For so on, adding 8 cents for every additional 4 ounces or fraction thereof.	

**F. W. MITCHELL,**  
*Postmaster General*  
**General Post Office,**  
**Hongkong, 16th June, 1870.**



